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**MAYOR PEREZ TALKS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES WITH
CARIBBEAN LEADERS**

WHEN: Friday, August 5, 2005 at Noon

WHERE: Mayor's Conference Room, 2nd Floor Municipal Building
550 Main Street Hartford

Mayor Eddie Perez is looking for more economic and job growth opportunities for Hartford. On Friday, the Mayor is meeting with Ambassadors and Consul Generals from the Caribbean to encourage trade and tourism between the Islands and the Capital City. This is the first time that the leaders are coming to the table to talk as a group. Among the participating countries: Antigua, Jamaica, Grenada, Haiti, Trinidad, and Tobago. Individual questions concerning employment, products, services, and cultural opportunities can be asked before the luncheon and presentation begin at 12:30 p.m.

Hartford is home to a strong and vibrant West Indian Community. It is the third largest West Indian population in the United States. This meeting with Mayor Perez is scheduled in conjunction with the West Indian Independence and Emancipation Week.

For more information on the Mayor's role, contact Sarah Barr, Director of Communications at (860) 522-4888 x6217. For more information on the Trade Council, please contact the Director of the Caribbean Trade Council Andrew Lawrence at (860) 982-1755.

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